

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT

NOTICE OF FILING

DOCKET NO. 2005-387-E

The Office of Regulatory Staff, ("ORS"), pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-836, has filed a Petition with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") to, if appropriate, implement Section 1254 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005, ("EPAAct").

On August 8, 2005, President Bush signed the EPAAct. The EPAAct requires state commissions, with respect to each electric utility for which the state commission has ratemaking authority to consider certain standards to encourage better utilization of energy resources. Section 1254 of the EPAAct requires each electric utility to make interconnection service available, upon request, to any electric consumer that the electric utility serves. Interconnection services are to be based on the standards developed by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), as they may be amended from time to time. Specifically, the EPAAct references IEEE Standard 1547 for Interconnecting Distributed Resources with Electric Power Systems. In addition, Section 1254 of the EPAAct requires that agreements and procedures be established such that the services offered promote the current best practices of interconnection for distributed generation, including but not limited to practices stipulated in model codes adopted by associations of state regulatory agencies.

The Commission on January 10, 2006 during its weekly meeting declared that persons who seek to comment regarding Docket No. 2005-387-E shall do so by **the close of business on June 5, 2006.**

A copy of the ORS's Petition can be obtained from the Commission at the following address: Public Service Commission of South Carolina, Docketing Department, 101 Executive Center Drive, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Additionally, the Petition is available on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov and is available from Nanette Edwards, Attorney, Office of Regulatory Staff, 1441 Main Street, Suite 300, Columbia, S. C. 29201.

A public hearing, if scheduled, will be held in Columbia, South Carolina in the offices of the Commission at the above address, for the purpose of receiving testimony and other evidence from all interested parties regarding this Petition. The time and date of this hearing will be furnished to all interested parties at a later date.

Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before **February 24, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2005-387-E.***

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence at the hearing, if scheduled, should notify the Docketing Department in writing at the address below, Office of Regulatory Staff, Post Office Box 11263, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, on or before **February 24, 2006**, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2005-387-E.***

Any person who wishes to be notified of the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department in writing at the address below on or before **February 24, 2006**. ***Please refer to Docket No. 2005-387-E.***

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: Any person who wishes to have his or her comments considered as part of the official record of this proceeding **MUST** present such comments, in person, to the Commission during the hearing.

Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at (803) 896-5100.

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